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The Round Valley Indian Tribes
Child Care Program
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February 24, 2021

Ellen Wheatly
Acting Director of the
Office of Child Care
330 C ST SW, 4th Floor
Washington, DC 20201

Dear Ellen:

This letter describes how The Round Valley Indian Tribes Child Care Program plans to use the Child Care and Development Funds (CCDF) awarded under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSA). We understand that this description will be used for the purpose of informing the Office of Child Care, Administration for Children and Families and Congress how our Lead Agency anticipates using the funds to support the child care needs in our jurisdiction.

We plan to use CRRSA funds for activities in the following categories:

1. Direct Services/Subsidies

- Safety Monitor Position
- After-School Program Teacher Aide Position
- Hazard Pay for staff and providers
- Support staff, providers, and children, that are quarantined or isolated due to Covid-19

2. Implementation of Virus Mitigation Policies and Practices

- Promote Healthy and Safe Practices in the Child Care Program to reduce the spread of Covid-19
- Maintaining a healthy environment through cleaning and disinfecting (maintaining group ratios for students and staffing to reduce mixing)
- Health and Safety Training on Covid-19
- Professional Coronavirus Cleaning and Disinfecting at Child Care Center

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- 3. Grants or Assistance (Other than Subsidies) to Stabilize Child Care Providers**
 - Support Child Care staff, providers, parents, and children on the impacts of Covid-19
 - Support Cultural Traditions for Talking Circles, Wellness, Healing, Mental Health and Trauma for staff, providers, parents, and children, due to the Covid-19 Pandemic
 - Support School Age Children in Academic Tutoring
- 4. Assistance to Providers Not Participating in the Subsidy System Prior to the Pandemic**
 - The Round Valley Indian Tribes Child Care Program is still in the process of putting together a plan to support providers that are not participating in the subsidy system prior to the pandemic.
- 5. Other**
 - Provided students and teachers with school supplies, chrome books, internet, to engage in virtual classes, activities, and events.

INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING SECTION IF YOUR LEAD AGENCY HAS YET TO DEVELOP A PLAN:

The Round Valley Indian Tribes Child Care Program has not yet determined how CCDF CRRSA funds will be spent. Our timeline for deciding how funds will be spent is as follows: The RVITCCP, Child Coordinator will coordinate a focus group to include: Tribal Council, Staff, Parents, Community to gather information and data to implement a plan to use the CRRSA funding.

INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING FOR ALL LEAD AGENCIES:

The Round Valley Indian Tribes Child Care Program will amend our CCDF plan as a result of activities implemented under CRRSA funding not currently described in the plan, within 60 days of implementation.

Sincerely,

/s/

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